

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Applicants have currently amended claims 4, 13, 20, 24 and 35, and canceled claims 1-2, 6-11, 15-19, 22, 26-33 and 37-40. No new matter is introduced. Accordingly, entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has objected to claims 4, 5, 13, 14, 20, 21, 24, 25, 35 and 36 as being each dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner has further indicated that the above claims are allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim.

Applicants have amended the above claims to independent form by incorporating all the limitations of a corresponding base claim into the claims. Thus, the objection of the above claims is overcome.

Applicants have canceled claims 1-2, 6-11, 15-19, 22, 26-33 and 37-40 without prejudice, thereby rendering any rejection of the claims overcome. Applicants reserve the right to present the canceled claims in a continuation application and the right for future prosecution of the claims.

In view of the foregoing, the application is deemed to be in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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